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## FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

**LS 6412 NOTE PREPARED:** Feb 20, 2013 **BILL NUMBER:** HB 1041 **BILL AMENDED:** Feb 20, 2013

SUBJECT: Petitions to Modify Custody and Visitation.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Kubacki BILL STATUS: 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading - 1<sup>st</sup> House

FIRST SPONSOR:

FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL IMPACT: State

DEDICATED FEDERAL

**Summary of Legislation:** (Amended) This bill provides that if a person files a petition to establish or modify a guardianship, visitation, or child custody, a party to the proceeding shall inform the court if: (1) a party has been determined to be a perpetrator in a substantiated assessment of child abuse or neglect; or (2) the child named in the petition has been the subject of a substantiated report of child abuse and neglect, has been determined to be a child in need of services, or has been involved in an informal adjustment.

(The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the Department of Child Services Interim Study Committee.)

Effective Date: July 1, 2013.

<u>Explanation of State Expenditures:</u> This bill will increase the workload of the DCS to provide information to courts in cases where a petition is filed to establish or modify a guardianship of a child who formerly was a CHINS or involved in an informal adjustment. The DCS reports the increase in workload could require additional support staff; however, any increase in staff that may be necessary to fulfill the provisions of this bill is currently indeterminable.

# **Explanation of State Revenues:**

## **Explanation of Local Expenditures:**

#### **Explanation of Local Revenues:**

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**State Agencies Affected:** DCS.

**Local Agencies Affected:** 

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